

2 March 1960

MEMORANDUM FOR: THE RECORD

SUBJECT : AEHAWKEYE/1

1. Subject called [ ] of the OO Contacts Office on the morning of 26 February stating that he had an important operational matter to discuss with [ ] [ ] cautioned Subject that unless this were quite important he would rather not bother [ ] Subject said it was important and [ ] notified the undersigned.

2. Subject was called back by the undersigned and it was determined that he had received two additional letters from Janis LUKINS. In the first letter LUKINS tells Subject that he met "a person (the devil himself from among our old friends) last fall" and that LUKINS had worked out some kind of a deal with the "devil" which has now matured. It is not clear from the letter whether the following applies to LUKINS or to the "devil," but the letter goes on to say "I know the goals and methods of our old friends." In this telephone conversation Subject felt that the "devil" is either AECOB/7 or AECOB/10. Subject said that he has already sent an answering letter to LUKINS saying it will take him a few days but he will send him the money in the amount of \$60 or \$70. This amount of money is all that is necessary for LUKINS to come to the United States since he works for either SAS or Pan American. The second letter he received tells Subject not to contact the Pan American individual in New York that he was instructed to contact in the first letter. The undersigned told AEHAWKEYE/1 that he is very sorry AEHAWKEYE/1 has already committed himself to send the money, but my immediate reaction was that we could and would not reimburse him for this money. However, since it was necessary to discuss this further, he was told that he would be called back.

3. Since it was felt that the letters would contain information of value and since it was also felt that we did not want to exhibit an undue amount of curiosity, we arranged for Subject to read the letters in Latvian and made recordings of them. The pretext used was that Subject would be dictating the letters to a Latvian secretary who would then write them in shorthand. These

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letters have not yet been translated. In our last conversation with Subject, it was pointed out to him that Anna and Waldemars (AECOB/7 and AECOB/10) were both under control of our "competitors," therefore, there was no reason why any information coming from them could not be sent through the mails since it probably came from the "competitors" anyway. Although Subject understands the reasoning and understands we cannot reimburse him for the money, he was very disappointed and expressed same. It was suggested to him that he write a letter to LUKINS telling LUKINS that he cannot see his way clear at this time to send the money to him. One reason he can use is that he doesn't know who LUKINS is talking about (the "devil" may be AECOB/7 or AECOB/10 but we don't know). Another reason is that since the two questionable individuals are both under Soviet control they already know what information would be coming through the mail.

4. The undersigned pointed out to Subject that there would be times perhaps when we would pay him for information he receives, but that we could not reimburse him for this even though he has made a commitment. He continued to be extremely unhappy. It is the understanding of the undersigned that when Subject receives further communications concerning LUKINS we will be so advised.

5. Subject requested that we search our files to see whether we can find letters from his parents and his late sister. He also advised us that he has found his naturalization certificate.

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SR/2/Baltic/Latvia